The Kentucky Board of Licensure for Marriage and Family Therapists September 24, 2015 Minutes

The regular scheduled meeting of the Kentucky Board of Licensure of Marriage and Family Therapists was held at the Office of Occupations and Professions, 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort, Kentucky on September 24, 2015.

Board Members Present:

Mary Badami, Chair Jane Prouty Carolyn Miller-Cooper Brien Hill Mary Ellen Yates Marie Ruf Karen Westbrooks

Occupations and Professions:

Amy Parker, Board Administrator Gordon Slone, Executive Director

Office of the Attorney General:

Nicole Biddle, Board Attorney

The September 24, 2015 meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Mary Badami at 1:10 p.m.

The Board reviewed minutes from the August 27, 2015 Board meeting. Brien Hill motioned to approve the minutes as amended. Marie Ruf seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the FY15 Monthly Financial Reports for July 1, 2015 through August 31, 2015.

O&P Report

Gordon Slone discussed the continued improvements to the online license renewal system. Included in the report was a handout with basic online renewal instructions. Additionally, Gordon Slone mentioned the new payment option in the works to include several credit card brands not previously accepted.

Gordon Slone reported on the departure of the board administrator, Lindsey Melton, and the hiring process that has begun.

Gordon Slone discussed the meeting with the Deputy Director, Office of State Budget Director, Janice Tomes. He mentioned the negative impact budget sweeps can have on the boards.

Gordon Slone reminded the Board that out of state travel requests must be submitted at least 30 days in advance and out of country travel requests must be submitted 45 days in advance. He reminded the Board about procedures regarding plaques for board members as well.

Jane Prouty asked that Gordon Slone request a pedestrian crosswalk to be made available for public use to cross the street from the parking lot to the O&P Office.

Attorney Report

No report.

Old Business

- a. Board Member Reports/Tasks -
 - 1) <u>CEU fee</u> This discussion item was tabled for the October meeting.
 - 2) <u>Board Organization</u> This discussion item was tabled for the October meeting.

New Business

The Board reviewed a Board Approved Supervisor (BAS) status request from Nikki Erwin. Jane Prouty motioned to approve the request. Mary Ellen Yates seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed a Board Approved Supervisor (BAS) status request from John Nerswick. Mary Ellen Yates motioned to approve the request. Carolyn Miller-Cooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed correspondence received from Mike Rankin. Jane Prouty motioned to request more information by supplying supervision plans he currently has approved to the Board for review. Brien Hill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed correspondence received from Alex Colston and discussed a response to be sent in reply to his questions.

Marie Ruf motioned to table the topics Supervision Requirements and Conference Review until the October meeting. Carolyn Miller-Cooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Marie Ruf motioned to table the discussion on ethics regulation to reflect AAMFT: no sexual relationship with former client ever. Carolyn Miller-Cooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The Board began the discussion on comments received for the following regulations: 201 KAR 32:060, 201 KAR 32:025, 201 KAR 32:035, and 201 KAR 32:045.

Mary Ellen Yates motioned to grant the change requested in 201 KAR 32:060 to include physician assistants. Marie Ruf seconded the motion and it carried with one opposed.

Marie Ruf motioned to include nurse practitioners as qualified to provide information as well with regard to 201 KAR 32:060. Carolyn Miller-Cooper seconded the motion at it carried unanimously.

Marie Ruf motioned to leave 201 KAR 32:060 Necessity, Function, and Conformity as it currently reads. Brien Hill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mary Ellen Yates motioned to leave paragraph 1 comments on 201 KAR 32:060 Section 1 as is. Karen Westbrooks seconded the motion at it carried unanimously.

Jane Prouty motioned to leave paragraph 2 comments on 201 KAR 32:060 Section 1 as is. Mary Ellen Yates seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Jane Prouty motioned to integrate the revision language in paragraph 3 comments into 201 KAR 32:060 Section 1. Mary Ellen Yates seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Carolyn Miller-Cooper motioned to leave comments on 201 KAR 32:060 Section 4 as is due to the sponsor and participant not being able to provide the same information and therefore it is appropriate as written. Karen Westbrooks seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Marie Ruf motioned to respond to paragraph 1 comments on 201 KAR 32:060 Section 7 as a form is not necessary as they must request in writing and that is sufficient. Mary Ellen Yates seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Marie Ruf motioned to respond to paragraph 2, 3, and 4 comments on 201 KAR 32:060 Section 7 as no percentage is needed as they do not have to practice if licensed, but must obtain CEU's. Brien Hill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Jane Prouty motioned to respond to paragraph 5 comments on 201 KAR 32:060 Section 7 as it is not in the public's best interest. Marie Ruf seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Carolyn Miller-Cooper motioned to respond to paragraph 6 comments on 201 KAR 32:060 Section 7 as it is unnecessary as KRS 12:355 is already established and implemented as needed. Brien Hill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Karen Westbrooks motioned to approve the response being sent for 201 KAR 32:060. Mary Ellen Yates seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mary Ellen Yates motioned to respond to comments in paragraph 1, 2, and 3 for 201 KAR 32:025 to leave as is since it is consistent with

statutory authority and references associates. Karen Westbrooks seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Jane Prouty motioned to respond to comments in paragraph 4-10 for 201 KAR 32:025 as a revision for the five year limit has been written. Mary Ellen Yates seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Jane Prouty motioned to respond to comments on 201 KAR 32:035 Section 2 by adding the word "newly" in Section 2 (2). Mary Ellen Yates seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Jane Prouty motioned to respond to comments on 201 KAR 32:035 Section 3 by removing DSM 4. Marie Ruf seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Karen Westbrooks motioned to respond to comments on 201 KAR 32:035 Section 6 as our existing standard does address the Board's potential concern for waste, fraud and abuse. Jane Prouty seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Marie Ruf motioned to respond to comments on 201 KAR 32:035 Section 7 as there is no authority over other jurisdictions and due to a variety of circumstances each should be considered on a case by case basis. Mary Ellen Yates seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Marie Ruf motioned to respond to comments on 201 KAR 32:045 Section 1 as the Board believes the 5 year limit is sufficient. Mary Ellen Yates seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Marie Ruf motioned to respond to comments on 201 KAR 32:045 Section 1(5) as the Board believes the 5 year limit is sufficient. Brien Hill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Complaints/Other Legal Matters

- 2014-003 Jane Prouty motioned to approve the agreed order. Brien Hill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- 2014-005 Initiating formal complaint
- 2014-007 Marie Ruf motioned to approve initiating a formal complaint based on 201 KAR 32:050 Section 3(6)(a) and (c), 201 KAR 32:050 Section 5(1) and (2)(d), and KRS 335.348 (1)(f) and (g). Jane Prouty seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- 2015-001 Jane Prouty motioned to approve initiating a formal complaint based on 201 KAR 32:050 Section 2(1). Brien Hill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- 2015-002 Carolyn Miller-Cooper motioned to dismiss the complaint based off the Complaints Committees recommendations. Brien Hill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- 2015-003 Ongoing

Application Review

Carolyn Miller-Cooper motioned to approve all applications, renewals, audits, inactive status requests and Provider Applications as reviewed and approved by the Committees which met today. Karen Westbrooks seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Jane Prouty motioned to approve the ratifications of applications, renewals, audits and provider applications reviewed and issued following the last meeting and prior to this meeting. Mary Ellen Yates seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Associates:

The following applications for Marriage and Family Therapy Associates were approved: Amanda Bommer-Villaveces

The following applications for Marriage and Family Therapy Associates were deferred: Felicia Birchwell

The following applications for Marriage and Family Therapy Associate were approved with provisions: *None.*

The following applications for Marriage and Family Therapy Associate were denied: *None.*

The following Plans of Supervisions for Marriage and Family Therapy Associates were approved: Samantha Graves, Michael Hiser, Kim Jackson, Deborah Lockridge, Neveah Spors, Jeni Strednak

The following Plans of Supervisions for Marriage and Family Therapy Associates were deferred: Yenisei Santiesteban

The following Renewals for Marriage and Family Therapy Associates were approved: Kathleen Adams, Valerie Day, Julia Dodson, Arpita Eusebius, Katie Graham, James Harkness II, Laura Lancaster, Jeffrey Reed, Jenna Yoder

The following Renewals for Marriage and Family Therapist Associate were deferred: Rebekah Sidebottom

The following Renewals for Marriage and Family Therapist Associate were approved with provisions: *None.*

The following Renewals for Marriage and Family Therapy Associate were denied: Shawn Stinson

LMFT:

The following applications for Marriage and Family Therapist were approved: *None.*

The following applications for Marriage and Family Therapist were deferred: *Katherine Brown, Rebekah Burke, Mallory Thompson, Lauren Virant*

The following applications for Marriage and Family Therapist were denied: None.

The following applications for Marriage and Family Therapist reinstatements were approved: *Laura Kehoe*

The following applications for Marriage and Family Therapist reinstatements were deferred: *None.*

The following Renewal Audits for Marriage and Family Therapists were approved: *John Sivley, Michael Wadford, Brien Hill*

The following Renewal Audits for Marriage and Family Therapists were approved with provisions: *None.*

The following Renewal Audit for Marriage and Family Therapists were deferred: Richard Welsh

Continuing Education Applications were reviewed. They will be posted on the website as soon as possible at http://mft.ky.gov under Resources/Continuing Education.

Status Report as of 9/24/2015

The next meeting of the Marriage and Family Therapy Board has been scheduled for October 22, 2015 beginning 12:30 p.m. at 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort, KY 40601. Committees will meet at 8:30 a.m.

Mary Ellen Yates motioned that travel and per diem be paid to those who attended the regular Board Meeting on September 24, 2015. Karen Westbrooks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mary Ellen Yates motioned to adjourn, seconded by Marie Ruf. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Badami adjourned the meeting at 5:19 p.m.

Respectively Submitted:

Amy Parker, Board Administrator